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THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of ) Group Art Unit: 1614  
Giorgio Trinchieri et al ) Examiner:  
Appln. No. 09/395,038 )  
Filed: September 13, 1999 )  
For: METHODS AND COMPOSITIONS FOR ) December 6, 1999  
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**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME**

Sir:

Applicants petition the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to extend the time for response to the Office Action dated September 30, 1999 for one (1) month from November 30, 1999 to December 30, 1999.

Submitted herewith is a check for \$110.00 to cover the cost of the extension. Any deficiency or overpayment should be charged or credited to deposit account number 08-3040. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,  
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I hereby certify that this paper is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first class mail, postage prepaid, under 37 CFR 1.8 on the date indicated below and is addressed to Assistant Commissioner for Patents, Washington, DC 20231.

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